

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-44 (Canceled)

45. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a water channel disposed ~~between the top surface of the broom head and the upper surface of the broom head~~ within the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a plurality of nozzles attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface; and

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle.

46. (previously presented) The device of claim 45 further comprising a reservoir, wherein the reservoir is fixed to the broom handle by an attachment means, wherein the reservoir supplies an agent to the fluid conducted in the broom handle to the water channel.

47. (previously presented) The device of claim 46 further comprising a user control means for regulating the supply of the agent from the reservoir.

48. (previously presented) The device of claim 45, wherein the broom head further comprises a debris port hole and a plug.

49. (previously presented) The device of claim 45, wherein the plurality of nozzles are individually removable from the broom head.

50. (previously presented) The device of claim 45, wherein the plurality of nozzles are individually attachable to the broom head.

51. (currently amended) The device of claim 45 comprising a kit, the kit including the broom head, the handle, and attachment means for attaching the handle to the top surface of the broom head and for attaching the plurality of nozzles to the broom head,~~where the broom head, the handle, the water channel, the plurality of nozzles, and the valve comprise a kit.~~

52. (previously presented) The device of claim 45 further comprising a fluid motor positioned on the broom head for pulsing fluid to the plurality of nozzles.

53. (previously presented) The device of claim 45 further comprising a hose connected to the valve for receiving fluid from a fluid pump, wherein the fluid pump is detached from the push broom.

54. (previously presented) The device of claim 53, wherein the fluid pump is connected to and powered by a gasoline engine, wherein the fluid pump and gasoline engine are provided in a user backpack.

55. (currently amended) A water broom comprising:
a broom head for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head ~~block~~ including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom;

a first plurality of nozzles attached to the broom head for expelling fluid under pressure forward and downward ahead of the broom head and onto the substantially horizontal surface;

a second plurality of nozzles radially disposed on the left and right side of the lower surface of the broom head ~~attached to a left side or a right side of the broom head~~ for projecting the fluid in at least one of a forward, downward, and radially outward direction onto an edge of the substantially horizontal surface when the broom is adjacent to a substantially vertical surface intersecting the substantially horizontal surface; and

a manually adjustable control connected to the broom head for redirecting the fluid from the first plurality of nozzles to the second plurality of nozzles.

56. (previously presented) The water broom of claim 55 further comprising a reservoir, wherein the reservoir supplies an agent to the fluid expelled from the first plurality of nozzles.

57. (previously presented) The water broom of claim 56 further comprising a user control means for regulating the supply of the agent from the reservoir to the first plurality of nozzles.

58. (currently amended) The water broom of claim 55 comprising a kit, the kit including the broom head, attachment means for attaching the first plurality of nozzles to the broom head, for attaching the second plurality of nozzles to the lower surface of the broom head, and for attaching the manually adjustable control to the broom head, ~~where the broom head, the first plurality of nozzles, the second plurality of nozzles, and the manually adjustable control comprise a kit.~~

59. (previously presented) The water broom of claim 55 further comprising a fluid motor positioned on the broom head for pulsing fluid to the first plurality of nozzles and the second plurality of nozzles.

60. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head

having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a water channel disposed ~~between the top surface of the broom head and the upper surface of the broom head~~ within the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a plurality of nozzles attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface;

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle;

a hose connected to the handle for supplying the fluid to the valve; and

at least one quick connector for connecting at least one of the valve, the handle, the hose, and the broom head to the push broom.

61. (currently amended) The device of claim 60 comprising a kit, the kit including:

the broom head;

the at least one quick connector for:

connecting the handle to the broom head; and

connecting the valve to the handle; and

attachment means for attaching the plurality of nozzles to the broom head, ~~where the broom head, the handle, the water channel, the plurality of nozzles, the quick connector, and the valve comprise a kit.~~

62. (previously presented) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head ~~block~~ including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface above the lower surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~;

a water channel disposed ~~between the top surface of the broom head and the upper surface of the broom head~~ within the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a plurality of nozzles attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface;

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle; and

at least one screw connector means for connecting at least one of the valve, the handle, and the broom head to the push broom.

63. (currently amended) The device of claim 62 comprising a kit, the kit including:

the broom head;

the at least one screw connector means for:

connecting the handle to the broom head; and

connecting the valve to the handle; and

attachment means for attaching the plurality of nozzles to the broom head, ~~where the broom head, the handle, the water channel, the plurality of nozzles, the screw connector means, and the valve comprise a kit.~~

64. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a spray bar having a plurality of nozzles disposed between the ~~top surface~~ upper surface and the lower surface of the ~~broom head~~ broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a nozzle means attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the spray bar forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface; and

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle.

65. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a water channel disposed ~~between the top surface of the broom head and the upper surface of the broom head~~ within the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a plurality of nozzles attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface;

a guard provided forward of a ~~from~~ vertical plane of each of the plurality of nozzles, the guard extending from a left side of the broom head to a right side of the broom head to protect the plurality of nozzles from damage when the broom head is thrust against a substantially vertical surface; and

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle.

66. (previously presented) The device of claim 65 further comprising a reservoir, wherein the reservoir is fixed to the broom handle by an attachment means, wherein the reservoir supplies an agent to the fluid conducted in the broom handle to the water channel.

67. (currently amended) The device of claim 65 comprising a kit, the kit including the broom head, the handle, and attachment means for attaching the handle to the top surface of the broom head, the valve to the handle, the plurality of nozzles to the broom head, and the guard to the broom head, ~~where the broom head, the handle, the plurality of nozzles, the guard, and the valve comprise a kit.~~

68. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a first water channel disposed on the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a first nozzle means attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the first water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface;

a second water channel disposed on the broom head for receiving the fluid from ~~form~~ the handle;

a second nozzle means attached to the broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the second water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface; and

a valve means connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid from the first water channel to the first nozzle means and from the second water channel to the second nozzle means.

69. (previously presented) The device of claim 68 further comprising a reservoir, wherein the reservoir is fixed to the broom handle by an attachment means, wherein the reservoir supplies an agent to the fluid conducted in the broom handle to the first water channel and the second water channel.

70. (currently amended) The device of claim 70 comprising a kit, the kit including the broom head, the handle, attachment means for attaching the handle to the top surface of the broom head, the first nozzle means to the broom head, the second nozzle means to the broom head, and the valve means to the handle, ~~where the broom head, the handle, the first water~~

~~channel, the second water channel, the first nozzle means, the second nozzle means, and the valve comprise a kit.~~

71. (canceled)

72. (currently amended) A device for sweeping across a substantially horizontal surface comprising, the device comprising:

a push broom having a broom head for sweeping across the horizontal surface and a handle attached thereto for pushing and conducting fluid to the broom head, the broom head having a lower surface ~~and an upper surface~~, the lower surface of the broom head including a plurality of bristles extending downwardly therefrom, the broom head further comprising a top surface ~~substantially sized to and positioned above the upper surface~~ above the lower surface;

a water channel disposed ~~between the top surface of the broom head and the upper surface of the broom head~~ within the broom head for receiving the fluid from the handle;

a plurality of nozzles connected to the ~~upper surface of the broom head~~ broom head for expelling the fluid under pressure directly from the water channel forward and downward ahead of the broom head onto the horizontal surface; and

a valve connected to the handle for regulating a flow of the fluid through the handle.

73-75. (canceled)